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**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE GROUP ART UNIT 1634**

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AND USES THEREOF  
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 26, 2005 FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Final Office Action issued on September 26, 2005 in connection with the above-identified application. A reply to the Office Action is due December 26, 2005. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.